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AMENDMENT

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated October 29, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows (marked-up copy of amendments attached):

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Amend the paragraph at column 1, lines 7-11, as follows:

(Amended) The present invention relates to a process for producing and obtaining 2,6-dialkylnaphthalene (DAN), in particular 2,6-dimethylnaphthalene (2,6-DMN) from a mixture which contains at least one of dialkylnaphthalenes, monoalkylnaphthalenes or naphthalene.

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